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For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING AUTHENTICATED, SECURE  
ON-LINE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN REMOTE LOCATIONS**

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Washington, D.C. 20231

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

The following sections are being submitted for this Information Disclosure Statement:

1. x Preliminary Statements
2. x Form PTO-1449 (modified)
3. x Identification of Person(s) Making This Information Disclosure Statement

**Section 1. Preliminary Statements**

Applicant submits herewith patents, publications or other information of which Applicant is aware which are believed to be material to the examination of this application and in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 CFR 1.56.

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**Section 9.**

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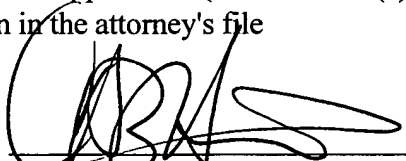
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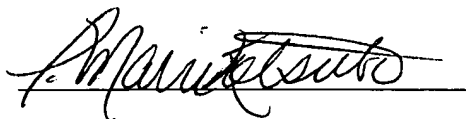
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